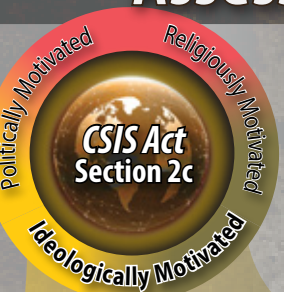


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IDENTIFY

Scenario #1 PRE VIOLENT INCIDENT Possible 2c Nexus (see reverse)



Scenario #2 POST VIOLENT INCIDENT Loss of life / Disrupted plot Possible 2c Nexus

Scenario #3 THREAT TO CANADA'S 10 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SECTORS (see reverse) Loss of life does not appear to be an objective but could occur Possible 2c Nexus

ASSESS/UNDERSTAND

i ✓
WILLINGNESS
to KILL /
INSPIRE
OTHERS
to KILL

ii ✓
ATTEMPTING
to AFFECT
SOCIETAL
CHANGE

iii ✓
**IDEOLOGICAL
INFLUENCE**

iv ✓
**SERIOUS
VIOLENCE**
including sabotage
(see reverse 2a/c)

LAW ENFORCEMENT
intelligence / investigation

DECIDE

Potential for future
serious violence (2c)

✓ **i/ii/iii**
- if **NO** — reassess
as required

Potential for future
serious violence (2c)
resulting from the same
ideology or threat actor(s) or
copycat violence

✓ **i/ii/iii**

Potential for future 2c
violence (loss of life)
resulting from the same
ideology or threat actor(s) or
copycat violence

✓ **ii/iii/iv**

ACT

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

CONSIDERATIONS

Relative threat
Risk of action / inaction
Resources and authorities
Engagement with
domestic - allied partners

COURSE(S) OF ACTION

Analysis
Investigation
Disruption
Advice

POST-MORTEM

Assess actions taken
Re-evaluate

CONSIDERATIONS

THREAT POSED by CANADIANS in CANADA or ABROAD

- Peripheral supporters
- Active supporters
- Organizers
- Proselytizers
- Violent ideologues

THREAT POSED by FOREIGN NATIONALS in CANADA

COVERAGE by PARTNERS

**STRENGTH
of CAUSAL
RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN
MOTIVATION /
IDEOLOGY and
VIOLENCE**

• Links to known threat actor(s)
• Motivation(s)

CSIS dependent
on POJ for case
specific information

PRE-
INCIDENT
CSIS Lead

CSIS dependent on POJ
for case specific
information

ACTIVE-
INCIDENT
POJ Lead

POST-
INCIDENT
POJ Lead

• Links to known threat actor(s)
• Motivation(s)

ADVICE TO/
COLLABORATION WITH: GOVERNMENT of CANADA, POLICE of JURISDICTION (POJ) / LAW ENFORCEMENT, FOREIGN PARTNERS, INDUSTRY



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The purpose of this project is to visually articulate the steps undertaken by CSIS to ascertain whether an identified IMVE threat actor represents a section 2c threat and to decide on what action(s), if any, should be undertaken. CSIS developed three detailed placemats (scenarios #1, #2 and #3) to represent the three types of potential 2c threats. This placemat represents a condensed version of all three scenarios.

- Scenario #1 – Pre violent incident (loss of life) – Possible 2c Nexus
- Scenario #2 – Post violent incident (loss of life)/disrupted plot – Possible 2c Nexus
- Scenario #3 – Threats to Canada’s 10 critical infrastructure sectors; loss of life does not appear to be an objective, but could occur – Possible 2c Nexus

LEGEND

THREATS TO THE SECURITY OF CANADA means:

2(a) espionage or sabotage that is against Canada or is detrimental to the interests of Canada or activities directed toward or in support of such espionage or sabotage,

2(b) foreign influenced activities within or relating to Canada that are detrimental to the interests of Canada and are clandestine or deceptive or involve a threat to any person,

2(c) activities within or relating to Canada directed toward or in support of the threat or use of acts of serious violence against persons or property for the purpose of achieving a political, religious or ideological objective within Canada or a foreign state, and

2(d) activities directed toward undermining by covert unlawful acts, or directed toward or intended ultimately to lead to the destruction or overthrow by violence of, the constitutionally established system of government in Canada

SERIOUS VIOLENCE For the purposes of this placemat “serious violence” in relation to the 10 Government of Canada critical infrastructure sectors is defined as: a threat actor who willfully destroys or damages property if such actions could endanger a person’s life.

The term “ideological” is not statutorily defined and has received little judicial consideration in either Canadian or foreign courts. To date, there has been no judicial consideration of the meaning of the phrase “ideological purpose, objective or cause.”

Ideology can also be seen as a belief structure that people use as a lens through which they perceive the world: the individual processes and systematizes all the information of social and other relevance – including conspiracy theories – to orient themselves in the societal realm and to reduce its complexity. The term is both broad and neutral: there is no requirement that the ideas or belief be inherently violent in and of themselves.

- IMVE IDEOLOGICALLY MOTIVATED VIOLENT EXTREMISM**
- Xenophobic Violence: Racially motivated violence
Ethno-Nationalist violence
 - Anti-Authority Violence: Anti-Government / Law Enforcement violence
Anarchist violence
 - Gender-Driven Violence: Violent misogyny (including Incel)
Anti-LGBTQ2+ violence
 - Other Grievance-Driven and/or Ideologically Motivated Violence

THREAT ACTOR(S) include but are not limited to: Individuals, cells, groups, platforms, networks, movements and conspiracy theories.



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**THREAT TO CANADA'S
CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SECTORS**

Energy and utilities
Finance

Food
Transportation

Government
Health

Water
Safety

Manufacturing

Information and
communication technology

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